

Thoughts on the Daily Word:

23rd Week of Year. Friday 15th September. Readings: 1 Timothy 1:1-2,12-14; Psalm: 15; Luke 6:39-42.

I always find this letter to Timothy, even though many scholars believe that it was not written by Paul, very moving. Paul acknowledges his own failures and weaknesses but recognises the overwhelming love of God who brought him to know the love of Christ Jesus. There is something very human about failure. Paul also focuses on Jesus, the love that has been placed in his heart that enable him to respond with love. That focus lies at the heart of the Gospel. It is so easy to be diverted, perhaps with the best of intentions, the focus on Christ the teacher allows us to see and respond with clarity.